

State of Alaska FY2008 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Public Safety Judicial Services-Anchorage Component Budget Summary

Component: Judicial Services-Anchorage

Contribution to Department's Mission

Preserve public peace, protect life, property, and resources.

Core Services

By statute, the commissioner of the Department of Public Safety is the executive officer of the Alaska Supreme Court. Across the state, those responsibilities are delegated and carried out by Alaska State Troopers and Court Service Officers (CSOs) assigned to Judicial Services units within the Division of Alaska State Troopers. Troopers allocated to patrol and investigative assignments assist the troopers and officers assigned to Judicial Services. Judicial Services is responsible for providing security to the Alaska Court System, the safe transportation of inmates to and from court and between correctional institutions, the extradition of wanted persons to and from the state, and the timely service of legal process. While only those positions located in Anchorage are budgeted in the Judicial Services–Anchorage component, this narrative discusses duties of the Judicial Services units statewide.

Security provided by Judicial Services includes protection of the public, the judiciary, and prisoners; security of court facilities; and maintaining peace and order in the courtrooms. Judicial Services transports felons, misdemeanants, and fugitives between institutions, between institutions and courthouses, and to and from doctor’s appointments. Prisoners are guarded while at the courthouse and doctor’s office. Troopers and officers assigned to Judicial Services transport prisoners within and outside of Alaska.

Writs served include subpoenas, summons and complaints, writs of assistance, evictions, executions, child custody orders, mental health commitments, domestic violence protective orders, and several other types of court process. Service requests are generated by various criminal justice agencies including the Public Defender Agency, Office of Public Advocacy, Department of Corrections, Department of Law, Department of Health and Social Services, Department of Revenue, federal and municipal law enforcement agencies inside and outside Alaska, and the public.

FY2008 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results		
FY2008 Component Budget: \$3,307,500	Personnel:	
	Full time	31
	Part time	0
	Total	31

Key Component Challenges

While the number of court services officers located around the state has increased in recent years, the number is still marginally adequate to properly handle increased court security concerns, move prisoners, and serve court writs. The number of prisoner moves has steadily increased every year since the inception of these duties. Over the last three fiscal years alone, the number of prisoner moves has increased approximately 4 percent in FY2004, 7.2 percent in FY2005, and 6.9 percent in FY2006. The early numbers for the first quarter of FY2007 indicate it may go as high as 7 percent, which would be an overall increase of 25 percent in just four years. In real numbers, this would be a change from 55,839 moves to approximately 69,000 moves. This, coupled with any increase in writ services, ex partes, etc., will significantly exacerbate existing work force shortages.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2008

Five new court service officer positions were funded by the legislature in FY2007 (one each in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Palmer, Soldotna, and Juneau). In addition, three more CSO positions were funded in FY2007 to support new superior court judges added in Anchorage, Palmer, and Fairbanks by Chapter 51, SLA 2007.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2006

Judicial Services units are located in Anchorage, Barrow, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kenai, Ketchikan, and Palmer. These offices collectively accomplished the following in FY2006

- Warrants received: 9,526
- Warrants served or closed: 9,625
- Writs received: 32,889
- Writs served or closed: 32,426
- Total prisoners moved: 64,057

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

DPS-Powers and duties of department (AS 44.41.020)
State Troopers (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.110)
Police Protection (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.790)
Law enforcement duties (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.086)
Controlled Substances (AS 11.71.010 - AS 11.71.900)
Judicial Services (AS 22.20.100 - AS 22.20.140)
Prisoner Transportation (AS 33.30.071 and AS 33.30.081)
Search & Rescue (AS 18.60.120 - AS 18.60.175)
Village Public Safety Officer Definition (AS 01.10.060(c)(7)(C))
VPSO Program (AS 18.65.670)
VPSO Regulations (13 AAC 96.010-900)
Concealed Handgun Permits (AS 18.65.700)
Security Guard Licensing (AS 18.65.400 - AS 18.65.410)
Sex Offender Registration (AS 12.63.010 - AS 12.63.100)
Central Registry of Sex Offenders (AS 18.65.087)
Department to assist other agencies (AS 18.65.090)
Document and disseminate information regarding homicides (AS 44.41.040)
Document and investigate missing persons (AS 18.65.610)
Investigate fires resulting from crimes (AS 18.70.030)
Investigate sexual assault and child exploitation (AS 18.65.086)
DUI Forfeiture Requirements (AS 28.35.036-.037)
DPS DNA collection and registration requirements (AS 44.41.035)
Duty of Law Enforcement to Provide VCCB information (AS 18.67.175)
Rights of Crime Victims to be notified orally and in writing by Law Enforcement (AS 12.61.010)
Aeronautics (AS 02)
Criminal (AS 11)
Environment (AS 46)
Fish & Game (AS 16)
Fish & Game (5 AAC)
Guide/Outfitting (12 AAC)
Guide/Outfitting (AS 08)
Health & Safety (AS 18)
Limited Entry (20 AAC)
State Government (AS 44)
Training (13 AAC 85)
Training (AS 44.41.020(a))

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Judicial Services-Anchorage Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Management Plan	FY2008 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	2,093.2	2,645.0	2,978.7
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	298.0	312.6	307.5
74000 Commodities	23.1	21.3	21.3
75000 Capital Outlay	22.9	38.8	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	2,437.2	3,017.7	3,307.5
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	2,393.0	2,967.3	3,257.1
1156 Receipt Supported Services	44.2	50.4	50.4
Funding Totals	2,437.2	3,017.7	3,307.5

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Managem nt Plan	FY2008 Governor
<u>Unrestricted Revenues</u>				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
<u>Restricted Revenues</u>				
Receipt Supported Services	51073	44.2	50.4	50.4
Restricted Total		44.2	50.4	50.4
Total Estimated Revenues		44.2	50.4	50.4

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2007 Management Plan to FY2008 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2007 Management Plan	2,967.3	0.0	50.4	3,017.7
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Transfer State Trooper PCN 12-1069 to AST Detachments (Palmer)	-112.9	0.0	0.0	-112.9
-Ch51 SLA 2006 Additional Judges / Judges' Salaries - delete one-time costs	-43.9	0.0	0.0	-43.9
-FY 08 Wage and Health Insurance Increases for Troopers and Airport Security	63.7	0.0	0.0	63.7
-Fund Source Adjustment for Retirement Systems Increases	5.4	0.0	-5.4	0.0
Proposed budget increases:				
-FY 08 Retirement Systems Rate Increases	377.5	0.0	5.4	382.9
FY2008 Governor	3,257.1	0.0	50.4	3,307.5

**Judicial Services-Anchorage
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs		
	<u>FY2007</u> <u>Management</u> <u>Plan</u>	<u>FY2008</u> <u>Governor</u>		
Full-time	32	31	Annual Salaries	1,516,202
Part-time	0	0	COLA	65,962
Nonpermanent	0	0	Premium Pay	149,883
			Annual Benefits	1,311,437
			<i>Less 2.13% Vacancy Factor</i>	<i>(64,784)</i>
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	32	31	Total Personal Services	2,978,700

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Accounting Clerk I	2	0	0	0	2
Administrative Clerk II	3	0	0	0	3
Administrative Clerk III	2	0	0	0	2
Court Services Officer	20	0	0	0	20
Lieutenant, AK State Troopers	1	0	0	0	1
Sergeant PS	2	0	0	0	2
State Trooper	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	31	0	0	0	31